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P. Joseph Grindstaff
Interim Executive Officer
Delta Stewardship Council
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Dear Mr. Grindstaff:

Thank you for the courtesy copy of the Delta Stewardship Council (Council) letter dated September 9, 2010, addressed to the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB), sent to the attention of Nancy Ward, Regional Administrator for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region IX Office. You stated that under the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009, the Council is tasked with developing recommendations relating to Delta levees investments for inclusion within the Delta Plan. Additionally, you cited the mandate from section 85309 of the Reform Act directing the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) to consult with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and CVFPB to prepare a proposal to coordinate flood and water supply operations of the State Water Project and the Central Valley Project. You requested that the CVFPB advise the Council of the key staff resources who will be responsible for providing this information to ensure alignment with the Delta Plan's objectives given the statutory deadline of January 1, 2012.

Kathleen Schaefer, Regional Engineer, will be FEMA Region IX's point of contact in support of the Council and the Delta Plan objectives. Ms. Schaefer can be reached by phone at (510) 627-7129, or by e-mail at kathleen.schaefer@dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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